

ENTRY DEAD LINE FOR SOFTBALL SET

Big Sprint Cars to Hold Spring Classic at Carrell's Sunday

Record number of the big sprint cars will compete in Sunday afternoon's United Racing Association Sprint Car program at Carrell Speedway.

U.R.A. official Roy Ross said that close to 40 of the big jobs would be on hand for the Spring Sprint classic. Ross said that ten speed wagons were coming down from northern California to battle the thirty or so Southern jobs.

Some of the northern racing cars have never been seen at Carrell. Included in the list are the top speedsters from the American Racing Association (A.R.A.) and the West Coast Racing As-

sociation, (W.C.R.A.). There's Don Radruck's No. One car, Studebaker-powered job owned by Rolly Rollett; Curtis Gravel's job; Mickey McCormick, who drives, and owns his car; Dave Lee, Jess Jessup, and Pete Caz-

Top Threats

Top local threat is probably Dempsey Wilson, ex-3-A driver who will handle the Bruce Johnson Offy; Carl Orr's powerhouse with George Amick as driver; Johnny Morehouse in Al Hendrix's Offy; All Sherman's Offy; Billy Cantrell in Cecil Shaw's Offy and Colby Scroggins in the Sunset Auto Supply V-8. Colby won the last sprint car race at Carrell, with Don Cameron second and Dempsey Wilson third. Then there's Ed Lockhart in Dr. George Ray's speedster; Bob Chaplin, Ken Stansbery, Al Benoit and Rosey Roussel. Either Hal Minyard or Sid Redican will handle Lou Senter's sprint. Lou is Dr. Sid Senter's brother. Both have been associated with racing since the days of old Ascot, then Southern Ascot and now Carrell.

Ross and Carrell promoter, Don Basile, insist that the April 12 program will see the greatest turnout of sprint cars since before the war.

Time trials will start at 12:30 with the Trophy Dash at 2:30.

Pony Baseball

The Pony baseball league for boys 13 to 15 years old, will get under way Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at Torrance Park.

Team No. 1, under Captain Bob Pepper, is scheduled to meet Captain Ronald Anderson's No. 3 team in the morning game and at 1 o'clock Craig Edmon's No. 2 team will play George Sutton's team No. 4.

Elmer "Red" Moon, athletic director for the Recreation department, will serve as coach for all of the four teams in the league and he urges all boys in the 13-15 age group who would like to play ball to come down to the park on Saturday and be signed up on a team.



(Herald Photo) TARTAR MILER . . . Leo Valencia, who has brought the time down in the mile to a fast 4m. 40s, will be tested against the best of the Bay League Friday at the Ingiewood Relays.

400 Torrance Boys See Globetrotters

The Torrance Recreation Department arranged for 400 Torrance boys to attend the Globetrotters vs. College All-Star basketball game at the Los Angeles Coliseum last night.

The Globetrotters and College All-Stars are staging a nip and tuck series of games across the entire country. Up to Sunday the Globetrotters were one game ahead in the series. All of the games have been close.

The Torrance Recreation department is working closely with the Times Boys Club organization to provide opportunities for Torrance boys to see these outstanding sports events, according to Recreation Director Frank Carpenter.

Entry Deadline Nears for Summer Softball League

A call for persons interested in entering a team in the summer softball leagues here was issued this week by Elmer S. Moon, athletic director for the city. A second meeting to discuss organization of the leagues will be held at the Recreation office, 1347 El Prado, Tuesday evening, April 14, at 7:30.

League play is slated to get under way during the week of May 4, Moon said. Tuesday evening will be the last opportunity for team managers to enter teams in this year's competition, he said.

During the Tuesday meeting, a drawing will be held to make up the league schedule, copies of the rules of play will be dis-

tributed, and entry fees will be accepted. Maximum cost will be \$94 for an eight team league, with three rounds of play—21 games. This includes a \$10 trophy fee to provide individual trophies and a sponsor's trophy for the winning team in each league. All managers are asked to bring their team's entry fee to the meeting. A partial payment of \$38 will be acceptable for the first round of play.

this year. De Soto production was up 27 per cent over the comparable 1952 period, and sales were up 60 per cent," he said. "This has resulted in lower costs to the factory and these savings are being passed along to our customers."

High volume, coupled with excellent public acceptance of 1953 De Soto and Plymouth automobiles, made the price reductions possible, he said, adding that the benefits to the public are even greater since the spring selling season for new cars is just beginning. Reductions in factory retail prices at factory, Detroit, Mich., announced March 25 on new De Soto models ranged from \$14 to \$177.30, while decreases on 1953 Plymouths ranged from \$37.10 to \$109.10.

Local DeSoto Dealer Explains Price Reduction

Whitlesey Motors, De Soto-Plymouth dealer at 1600 Cabrillo, explained yesterday the significance behind the price reductions of Chrysler Corporation passenger cars and trucks announced March 25.

Whitlesey pointed out that the removal of government price and materials controls has resulted in a substantial increase in production of De Soto automobiles, as well as other Chrysler Corporation vehicles. In the first two months of

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